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The cost of producing and sending out the BULLETIN to all Old Boys whose addresses we have, is now being undertaken 'by the Old Boys' Association. About 675 Bulletins were sent out in December; and in that issue, information was given re: joining the Association. Membership fees are \$3.00 per year, which bring the member the issues of the School Magazine and aid in providing for the Old Boys' Scholarship at the School. Cheques should be made payable to: T.H.Montgomery, Secretary-Treasurer, P.O. Box 250, Place d'Armes, Montreal, P.Q.. Have YOU joined yet?

Only about half the Old Boys who receive the BULLETIN are members of the Association. If you are already a member, try to get a non-member to join. If you are not a member, why not take out your pen and write out your cheque for the fees and mail it to T.H.Montgomery. It won't take long. By being a member, many pleasant memories will be revived especially at the annual dinners; and, of course, your share in providing for the Scholarship will help some boy to derive the benefits which you yourself have already obtained from B.C.S..

Here is what a member, who recently joined the Association, writes: "During the war, it was a great pleasure to find the Bulletin among my letters. I don't need to tell you how much we Old Boys appreciated hearing about the School and our friends. We all have special memories of the School -- memories that roll on and on, and each brings with it a score of others. School days are among our happiest, and the friends we make there the best". You, too, can revive old memories and renew old friendships at the dinners.

Why not join right now, before you forget.

The Annual Dinner of the Association took place at the Montreal Club, on Dec. 14th. Between 100-125 Old Boys were present. The guest-speaker was Lt.Col. J.H.Price who gave a very graphic account of the Hong-Kong expedition from the time the men left Canada until they were liberated. For one who had suffered so much at the hands of the Japanese, he spoke with amazing restraint and kept his listeners spellbound as he related conditions under which he and his men existed for over four years. In proposing the toast to the School, Col. Price said that the fact that the men who had good educations generally stood up better under the miseries of the prison camp was justification, if justification were needed, of the type of training given at such schools as B.C.S.. In replying to the toast to the School, Col. Grier, the Headmaster, summarized the School's activities during the past six-years and paid tribute to the leading part played by Old Boys in the Second World War. He spoke of the long traditions of the School and paid tribute to the work accomplished by the members of his staff.

William Mitchell, president of the Association and chairman of the evening, told of plans to erect a monument at the School to those who had served in the armed forces. Bishop Williams, W.W.Ogilvie, chairman of the Board of Directors, and G.H.Montgomery, Sr., all spoke feelingly of the School and asked all Old Boys to shoulder the responsibility for raising the funds.

Plans are underway to make an appeal this spring to all Old Boys for \$250,000 to provide new buildings at the School, as a Memorial to the Old Boys of the various services. From us Old Boys who have had the advantages of a sound training such as is given at B.C.S., the appeal should meet with a ready response. If all Old Boys work together with a spirit of determined success, and together determine that the Campaign is going to-go-over-the-top, then the united efforts will make the appeal successful. Those Old Boys who sacrificed their lives, gave their all: let us, who enjoy the peace they helped to provide, see to it that their sacrifice be not forgotten. Circular letters giving full information will be sent out from time to time.

CONGRATULATIONS: The following names appeared in the King's New Year Honours List: Hon. Brig. C.G. Hepburn, made a C.B.E.; H. de M. Molson, an O.B.E.; Major M.J. McLeod, an M.B.E.. C.H. Drury was married to Mrs. E. Ronald Bennett, in Montreal on Dec. 26th. David Wanklyn was one of the two successful candidates from the Province of Quebec to be awarded the Rhodes Scholarship, the first time they have been awarded since 1941. Dave entered McGill in '41 and enlisted in '43. He served overseas in Belgium, Holland and Germany with the 12th. Manitoba Dragoons. In the re-organization of the Army announced in January, Maj. Gen. H.W. Foster has been appointed to command Eastern Command; Brig. P. Earnshaw to command Military District No. 1; Brig. E.A. Blais to command Military District NO. 5; and Col. R.W. Moncel has been appointed Director of Armoured Corps. Mr. & Mrs. G.E. Buch, a son, in Montreal, Jan. 16th. Capt. & Mrs. Gibb-Carsley, a son, Montreal, Jan. 25th. Mr. & Mrs. G.H. MacDougall, a son, Montreal, Jan. 21st. Mr. & Mrs. F.H. Baldwin, a daughter; Montreal, Jan. 28th.

ITEMS OF NEWS: Godfrey Howard is still with the U.S. Pacific Fleet and is stationed at Guinan. Sandy Mills is studying for his M.A. at McGill. Dave Nicholl is still in the R.A.F. at Bermuda. The local newspaper has applied for his services. Flt./Lt. Riley Hern writes an interesting letter. He is now back from overseas working on the Post War Plans for the Air Force P.T. Drill and Sports Program. He lives at 120 Mason Terrace, Ottawa, with his family -- young Riley, five years old, and daughter. He tells us that he has seen Dave Hadfield and his wife. Dave intends going back to the R.C.M.P., after spending five years in the Army as Captain. He has been through the Italian, French, Dutch and German campaigns. R.G.C. (Guy) Smith has been appointed Canadian Trade Commissioner for Cuba, Haiti, Dominican Republic and Porto Rico. Lt. Blaikie Purvis is with the army of occupation in Germany. E.W. Hutchison is a member of I.L.O. in London. Maj. Gen. H.W. Foster was President of the Canadian Military Court which tried Maj. Gen. Kurt Meyer in Aurich, Germany. Harry Boswell has been promoted to Lt. Col. and is stationed in Java. C.D. Sewell is enrolled at University of British Columbia and is taking the forestry course. The following Old Boys were down at the School on Jan. 26th, for the School - Old Boys hockey game: J.R.D. McCurdie (at McGill); F. Morkill at Sir G. Williams; R.W. Stevenson; H. Setlakwe; T. Hodgson (Dawson); P. Satterthwaite (Dawson); Capt. E. Spafford; H.D. Sheppard; K. Darling; H. Hallward; A.R. Dobell; Bono Pitfield; Dave Phelps; R. McBoyle. The Old Boys won 7-5, after a very fine game. Tyler Spafford is in Hamilton and is broadcasting with station C.K.O.C.. The Sherbrooke Fusiliers received a fine welcome home, late in January. Lt. Col. S. Radley-Walters is the O.C. and with him were Capt. E. Spafford, Lt. Ian MacLean and Capt. R. Grier. Malcolm Evers visited the school in Jan. in connection with the Memorial Campaign. Tommy Montgomery is secretary-treasurer of the Association. To George H. Montgomery, jr., who for 12-15 years was sec-treas., we extend our thanks and appreciation for carrying out his duties so efficiently.



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HOCKEY

To date the First Hockey Team has played seven matches, winning three and losing four. Coach Gerry Wiggett has developed a fast and hard-hitting team, remarkable for two good forward lines instead of the usual strong first line and weaker second. The personnel is as follows: Les Gault, Captain, a defenceman, along with Derek Martin; Jim Sewell and Ray Setlakwe goalers, and forwards Robin Pitfield, Fred Rider, Hart Price, John Gray, David McMaster, Eric Jones. The season opened when Sherbrooke High School played on our ice and was beaten 9-2. A strong team of Old Boys, many of them on the McGill Intermediate squad, came out to beat us 7-5. One of two unusual matches this season was that when Rothesay Collegiate came over the border from New Brunswick to lose to us 2-1 in a very close-fought game. The School team met Lower Canada College on Montreal's Forum ice and lost 2-1. Sherbrooke Air Cadets visited us and beat us 4-2, and Ashbury went down 8-4 on our ice. The other match that was revived after many years was with Montreal High School, and B.C.S. lost to them 4-3 after one of the fastest and cleanest games we have seen here for many a long day.

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SKIING

The Ski Creases this winter are about 40 strong, ranging from old colours to those who had never seen snow before this year. Besides frequent School slaloms and cross-countries in which points are awarded towards the Whittall and Porteous Cups, the School has been entered in three outside meets, the Eastern Townships Inter-scholastic Meet at North Hatley, the Eastern Townships Zone Meet (open) at Hillcrest, and the yearly L.C.C. Meet for the Cohan Cup. In the Schools Meet the Senior Team of four, Miller (Captain), Bennett, Carman and Fisher, won the Senior Team Trophy for the 7th consecutive year. Bennett got the Senior Individual Aggregate cup, the McGannon Trophy, back inside B.C.S. walls after a year's absence. Campbell, Captain of the Junior Team of four, won the Junior Individual Aggregate Cup, but the Juniors lost the Team Cup. Creighton, entered with Miller in the E.T.Zone Competition for Juniors (under 19), won the E.T.Junior Championship. The other meets mentioned are in the future, and will be recorded in the next Bulletin.

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GILBERT & SULLIVAN

Production of "The Pirates of Penzance" is well under way. Though somewhat delayed in its start by the illness of Mr. Grier, rehearsals are going full blast, and the Bulletin is installing a comptometer on the Stage to determine for science and posterity just how many batons Mr. Page actually breaks in the whole course of one production. It is too early to name any date for performances but, once decided, that information will be well publicized.

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THE GYM

With new apparatus in the Gym, Lieut. Sullivan is running regular P.T., Boxing and Gym classes, and frequent voluntary classes in the afternoons. The School is also entered in various shooting competitions.

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REMEMBER? Those Tuesday evenings when the supper line seems a little noisier than usual, and moves a little faster....when the waiters wait for no one, but hurry through the job....when the noise in the Dining Hall is noticeably louder than usual, so that the Master on Duty does not seem to be giving his whole attention to his meal....the announcement at the end of the meal - "Prep will begin at 6.30 - Gratias agimus tibi - " and out goes the thundering herd....the strain of Prep, the unrest spreading as the Team goes down to change....eight o'clock and the rush for overshoes, coats, parkas, tuques....the night air smacking you like a cold towel as you dash for the rink, and your breath white as you race round the boards for a good place on the far side.... Alf Rodell looking critically at his perfect sheet of ice...the roar as the teams come out, and a second roar of a different timbre as a player jumps onto the ice with the cardboard still on his skates....near-silence and then, as the enthusiasm pent up through supper and Prep bursts out, the rhythmic, full-throated "Bish" on the whistle....then hockey, and plenty of it, and the scrape of plows between periods, and the tuque that always falls over the boards and is retrieved by astonishing gymnastics on the part of its owner, and feet getting cold and voices getting hoarse....and finally back through the cold-blast quad to bed, and even the temperature of a big dorm seems almost cosy....

OLD BOYS' NOTES: (Cont'd. from P.2.)

Old Boys will regret to hear that Miss M.Gill passed away on Feb.10th. The funeral took place from the College Chapel. The Rev. J.R.Allen assisted and the pall-bearers were the School prefects, William Doheny, and the Senior man of the College. During the 1920s, Miss Gill was school organist and for many years had been a true friend of the School. Her optimism and keen sense of humour, combined with real artistic and musical talents, endeared her to all who knew her. We find it almost impossible to think of events taking place without Miss Gill being present. But memories of a true Christian lady will remain fresh in our minds for days to come.

The Headmaster underwent an operation, on Feb.18th. at the Montreal Neurological Institute, for a back injury suffered a number of years ago. Our very best wishes for a complete and speedy recovery.

Congratulations to Mr.&Mrs. R.L.Evans, a daughter, born in Sherbrooke, on Feb.16th. The School celebrated this happy event by a holiday on 18th.(We hear from good authority that Anne is a wonderful child: and Uncle Louie corroborates).

We welcome Bill Doheny back to the School to the Upper School Staff. It is like 'the old days having him with us and he has taken a keen interest in the hockey creases.

Lieut. G.L.Sullivan has been appointed Cadet Corps and P.T.Instructor to fill the vacancy caused by Lt.Fisher's retirement. Lt.Sullivan was in the Army for six years. Our best wishes are extended to him.

Capt."Chic" Crichton, U.S.Army, visited School on 19th. Stocky Day is at U. B.C. J.B.Lindsay has left McGill to go to South America, and S.Dodds is going to U.S.A. E.H.Hugessen has been appointed Sec'ty. of McGill Debating Union. Our thanks to Mr.J.Y.Ross for his valuable help.